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# Hakoah - Hellas to meet England?

They're after Cole's record

With Gary Cole sidelined through injury probably for the rest of the season, the other leading scorers in the NSL are eyeing his goalscoring record.

Cole has scored 81 NSL goals since the league started in 1977 — 20 more than second-placed Mark Jankovics of Marconi, and John Kosmina of Sydney City.

Next are Phil O'Connor (Wollongong) with 60, and John Nyskohus (Adelaide City) with 53.

According to Cole, Kosmina poses the biggest threat.

"He's a top player and Sydney City has started the season very well, as usual," Cole said.

Cole had a major ankle operation two weeks ago and will be in plaster for a while. He then faces the long uphill battle to reach peak fitness again.

"But this is not the end of a career, merely a start in the middle of it," he said.

Cole was troubled by the injury during the Amputee Cup series. That's why his form was not what it should have been. The pain became so bad that he finally decided to have the operation.

However, he talked with national coach Les Scheinfug before going into hospital, and he hopes to come back into national team calculations once he has recovered.

"I see the Socceroos will be defending their Marion Cup in Singapore in November, so perhaps I'll be back in time for that," he said.

Cole missed only two NSL games in six seasons before being struck down by this injury.

He and Ray Baartz (ex-Sydney City) are the all-time second-highest scorers of the national team with 21 goals each. Top-scorer is Alan Mearns with 26.

Cole has played 33 games for Australia, including 18 full internationals.

He also has scored five goals in 15 games for Victoria.

Cole said he hoped Heidelberg's new Egyptian international, Ahmed Awwad, would fill the bill as a striker.

"Heidelberg has been using Theo Selamidis and Mike Valentine in attack, but they're both midfielders, so we can't really expect too much from them there," he said.

"He'll be at the big Hellas-Heidelberg game at Middle Park on Sunday. 'I'll charge the fans 10 cents each to sign my plaster cast, so I'll have money to live on until I recover,' he joked.

But joking aside, this setback couldn't have come at a worse time for the Cole family. He'll be off work (he's a schoolteacher) for quite some time and his wife, who is three months pregnant, will have to work more.



Gary Cole



John Kosmina



Ray Baartz

'Roos' new defence...



Laumets



Russell Blair Yzendoorn Davidson

... and new attack?



Watson Kosmina Mitchell

By LAURIE SCHWAB

Evans top earner in Vic.

Alan Evans (pictured), former captain of South Melbourne Hellas, started a new chapter of his career with ambitious Morwell Falcons at the weekend.

He links up in Morwell's attack with two other former Hellas forwards, Noel Mitten and Bobby McGuinness.

Falcons are determined to be included in

the new regionalised National League next season. The acquisition of Evans should strengthen that drive.

A former star with Liverpool in England, Evans is the biggest name yet to appear on Morwell's books.

He once scored a hat-trick for Liverpool against Bayern Munich in one of the major European competitions.

He joined Hellas from Walsall in 1978 and is the club's all-time top scorer in the NSL, with 38 goals in five seasons.

Morwell took over Evans' contract from Hellas — making him the highest paid player in the State league — and paid only a nominal transfer fee.

Other new Morwell players are Jim Maclean (ex-Brisbane Lions), Eric Young (Juventus, Tas.), Brian Darby (Savia) and Jim Train (Doveton).

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Roos on TV

The Ten Network will show a special one-hour "Tribute to the Young Socceroos" at 10.30pm tomorrow (Thursday).

Produced by Alex Henderson and hosted by Tom Anderson, the special will include film clips of the national youth team's games in the Havelange Tournament against Brazil and Mexico.

There are also interviews with players and coach Les Scheinfug, plus a preview of the World Youth Championships in Mexico in June.

# Marconi martyrdom

## not for Mariani

Bertie Mariani wasn't prepared to be used by Marconi as a political football kicked back and forth between the club committee and coach Doug Collins.

That's why his protracted dispute with the club founded by his godfather, the late Mr Oscar Michellini, ended a few weeks ago when he joined Italian NSL rival APIA Leichhardt on a free transfer.

Mariani, who turns 27 in May, played junior soccer with Fairfield Sports, Liverpool City and Smithfield Hotspurs before joining Marconi as an under-16 player. Along with Peter Sharpe and Rene Collins he was promoted into Marconi's senior squad in 1976 by then caretaker coach Ray Richards. Marconi and Australia's powerhouse midfielders of the 1970s.

Marconi was a second home for Mariani. The club is situated about five minutes away from the Mariani family home and Bertie's father became chairman of the social club last November. His father has been a staunch Marconi supporter for years.

"Like any soccer club in

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

expected back at pre-season training. I couldn't work this out.

"I returned and spoke to a committee member who told me to go to Doug and ask him if I was wanted. I did. Doug said that the situation hadn't changed. I went back to this committee man who told me that Doug hadn't decided that no players were to go on the transfer list until after a trial period to sort out who should go and who should stay.

"I felt like a political football. I wrote to the committee asking for a free transfer. They rejected my request, telling me that I had to stay at the club and would be offered a new contract. They said the coach would be told of this.

What a crazy situation if you look at it logically. How could I play under a guy who didn't want me? I wrote a second letter to the committee saying that this situation was a waste of time and their money. Finally, they agreed to give me a free transfer.

"Let me say right here that

my relationship with Doug Collins always was open and honest. He made an assessment of me and stuck by that assessment. I respect him for that."

Mariani, however, doesn't show much respect for what he claims was a Marconi decision late last year not to use the young players that his predecessor Dom Kapetanovic had introduced to the squad last year.

"This year at Marconi I understand that Joe Risiotti and Attilio Carbone were to be let go. I understand that Collins felt that he was stuck with these young guys and questioned whether or not they were ready for the NSL. In my opinion, he was blessed with them. These guys are good players and they are a good job for Marconi this season."

"But let's get all this into perspective. Collins found himself in a bad situation. One committee had told him that he could have a big budget and



Bertie Mariani (left) in action for Marconi against South Melbourne Hellas striker Charlie Egan.

clubs, will continue. How will Mariani react when he returns to Marconi Stadium, this time in APIA colors?

"I don't know. I won't know until I arrive at the ground and start getting changed and preparing for the game. It's pretty hard to envisage really."

I'll hopefully be in the APIA side which tackles Marconi. I'll just give it my best shot. I'll go out there and play as good as I can."

## Halifax discard bonus for KB

With Peter Burke, Newcastle KB United has continued its practice of recent years in importing hardened professionals from the lower levels of the English League.

Born in Rotherham, South Yorkshire, Burke first gained attention while playing for his home town's schoolsboys' selection and senior apprenticeship at Barnsley, before signing a full time contact with the club in August, 1975.

He actually had worn Barnsley colors in league action 10 months earlier, but was to be only involved spasmodically during the next three seasons.

After 36 appearances for "The Tykes", central defender, Burke moved to Halifax Town following a \$9000 transfer and here established himself as a regular first string player.

Unfortunately, Halifax struggled at the bottom end of the Fourth Division, largely to a sterile defence. In desperation the six footer was pressed into service as a striker.

He duly became the club's top scorer in the 1979-80 season with eight goals, only to be "rewarded" with a free transfer. Burke was not alone — for in a wholesale clear out, Chris Dunleavy and Bob Mountford, coincidentally, now well established in the NSL, also were discarded from The Shay.

Burke joined Rochdale, another struggling Fourth Division club, and reverting to the back four, clocked up another 68 games in two seasons before becoming yet another victim of British soccer's recession and being placed on the released list.

In Newcastle, the Yorkshireman may well realise his long stated ambition of becoming a self-employed builder. KB United fans will be satisfied if he produces constructive football for their team.

26 in late April, he still has time to build his soccer career in Northern New South Wales. With 188 English League games under his belt, Burke has a firm foundation.

— PAUL MOON

## Super tour for youths

Stephens Sports Travel of Sydney will run a UK youth soccer tour in January, 1984.

The tour includes 11 days' intensive coaching with professional players and coaches and goalkeeping training by Paul Cooper of Ipswich. Visits to Liverpool, Manchester United, Ipswich and Wembley Stadiums also are included in the 21-day tour, the cost of which is \$2497.

Last year's tour included a guided tour of Ipswich's ground by Alan Brazil and goalkeeper training by Chris Woidis of Norwich City.

Goalkeeper Paul Wilcox of Caringbah won the final series of a national penalty saving competition and received his prize from Eric Gates of Ipswich.



The boys who went on Stephens' Travel 1982 UK youth soccer tour, with Liverpool star Craig Johnson (centre).

## Bad break for Boudewijn

Brisbane Lions' Dutch import Boudewijn de Greer has a broken bone in his foot and will be sidelined for at least a month.

de Greer broke the bone in Lions 1-6 loss to Canberra. It brought to a climax what so far has been a horror stay in Australia for the former Norway Player of the Year.

He arrived here late in January after being signed on the recommendation of Lions' new coach, Simon Kistemaker. He was unfit after not playing for several months.

Extra training on the hard Australian grounds led to an Achilles tendon injury and de Greer was unable to make his debut for Lions in pre-season matches.

Pressure began to grow for Lions to play their 'star' import and he finally took the field in Lions NSL Cup match against Brisbane City. He withered quickly in the intensive Queensland summer heat and had to be substituted in the second half.

Lions then attempted to play de Greer into fitness but things kept going wrong and eventually Kistemaker dropped the new signing for Lions match against City in the Four X pre-season final.

Kistemaker assures everyone the 27-year-old de Greer, a winger or midfielder, is a good player but it seems everyone will now have to wait at least another four weeks before we get a chance to see.

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# Can Arok and Scheinflug work together?

The Eddie Thomson-Frank Arok-Les Scheinflug-ASF case is one of the most fascinating I have come across.

It's not up to me to comment about the relative coaching abilities of Arok and Thomson. Both have the score on the board and both are well respected by everyone in the game, me included.

So to me it doesn't really matter which of them got the job of coaching Australia against England, while Les Scheinflug is away in Mexico with the national youth team.

It's not up to me to comment about how Thomson turned up at ASF headquarters one day to make his first official statement as the so-called caretaker coach, only for the appointment to be deferred until the meeting of the ASF's World Cup committee.

And at the door of ASF headquarters before that meeting, Scheinflug was told to take his pick: it would be Arok or Len McKendry of Victoria. Thom-

son, quite clearly, was out!

Then came the statement of the century by the committee chairman, Peter McCann, quoted in the press. He said that one coach had done well with players he had bought cheaply, while the other one had achieved success with expensive players, and that this was the reason that the former got the nod.

The question is, did the ASF want someone to coach the Socceroos against England, or someone with special skill at buying and selling players?

*Everyone in soccer seems to be aware that Scheinflug had made his own recommendation and*



Frank Arok



Les Scheinflug

*that there is little love lost between Arok and Scheinflug.*

That goes way back to 1968-69 when Arok was the NSW State coach and Scheinflug was his assistant. Arok resigned and it was Scheinflug who took over.

Then there was the Barton Park incident. Scheinflug wanted to train the Socceroos on the main pitch but was told

by Arok to use an outside pitch, which resulted in the Socceroos going to Dural instead.

*Now, Arok and Scheinflug are saying they will work closely with each other. Mmmmm...*

It's easier predicting the winner of Lotto than it is trying to make sense out of such ASF decisions.

But of course, I have to be

careful in what I write.

Like all the other coaches, I had to sign a piece of paper which deals in part with Paragraph 69 of the ASF constitution. I don't think any coaches or players know exactly what that paragraph is about, but I'm told it has something to do with the fact that we are not allowed to speak against the Federation or its decisions, otherwise we could be fined.

*In the present economic climate, I can't afford to pay fees, but wouldn't mind paying to find out exactly what Paragraph 69 is all about.*

*Sydney City again has started the season full of power, yet everyone is predicting that Sydney City will fall.*

In fairness to this great club, let me say that it deserved full credit from all of us. It has, after all, won three

championships in a row and it serves as an example to all other clubs.

Some are saying that this could be the last year of Sydney City's existence (due to its withdrawal and then readmittance last year) but regardless of that, and regardless of its inability to draw crowds, we must all salute Sydney City for its achievements.

It played without some of its top stars in the early rounds yet still climbed to the top of the ladder.

Well done, Sydney City. How do you do it so consistently?

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Hats off to Peter Laumets, our goalkeeper at South Melbourne Hellas.

At the moment, I'd say there's not a goalkeeper in Australia who comes up to Peter's high standard.

★ ★ ★

*ter finals albeit aided by dubious refereeing decisions. They must not be taken lightly.*

South Korea can consider itself the luckiest participant in the finals, having earlier been eliminated by North Korea.

North Korea though was subsequently banned from all international football for two years, following the much-publicised Asian Games fracas.

Their Southern neighbors gratefully stood in for them in last December's Asian Youth Championship finals in Bangkok and went all the way to defeat China 2-0 in the final.

A very workmanlike side, it relies greatly upon teamwork and stamina but has in Kim Pan Ken a striker who warrants close attention.

*This will be the third major international tournament held in Mexico. During the 1968 Olympics they finished fourth and, two years later, they reached the World Cup quarterfinals.*

Complacency though could

be a worrying factor against Mexico and South Korea.

Australia beat the Mexicans 3-0 in Acapulco to secure third place in last year's Joao Havelange tournament. Observers say that the result reflected the relative merits of the two teams.

Scotland then is a formidable opponent, but as we all know, the Socceroos need fear nobody.

Although not overawed by the Scots' reputation, Les Scheinflug certainly will not fear complacency when his team faces the European champions.

Complacency though could



Aberdeen Scottish Cup final, whilst Motherwell's Brian McClair sat for a university examination.

For the Coca Cola Cup though, there are unlikely to be any club commitments to weaken the squad and McClair, who recently scored a hat-trick against Rangers, is expected to be free of academic distractions.

Of those who play in Helsinki, the best known probably is captain Paul McStay, who has been a regular in the all-conquering Celtic side for more than a year.

In Ally Dick and Pat Nevin, Scotland possesses

two wingers in the traditional style — pacy, skillful and deadly in front of goal.

Dick has been nurtured in the Tottenham Hotspur first team squad since making his English League debut in February 1982.

Despite his small stature (5 ft 4 ins) Nevin of Clyde seems hallmark for an illustrious career. His name currently is linked with Aston Villa, Everton, Tottenham and Notts County.

Thriving from the services of the two linkmen, Wolverhampton Wanderers' striker Billy Hamilton has been likened to his hero, Andy Gray.

In the centre of defence, John Philbin is a domina-

ting figure. He is unlikely to stay with his current club, Stirling Albion, much longer, as many major outfits have expressed interest in him.

Despite the glut of talent at his disposal, coach Andy Roxburgh's record is nevertheless outstanding — Scotland youths have lost only eight of over 80 internationals since he took charge in 1975.

**WORLD YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIP COCA-COLA CUP**



Marconi's youth international Rene Licata (right), is tackled by J.U.S.T. full back Jim Milne.

It's all about. I had been working for him for only a week when I had to ask for four days off to go into camp, and Ray agreed.

Licata is 19, but already he has chalked up 10 seasons at Marconi, starting with the under-10's. He played for Marconi's youth team in 1981 and made his NSL debut last year under coach Dom Kapetanovic, since replaced by Doug Collins.

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"Doug Collins was a winger in his playing days so he's a tremendous help to me. He's trying to develop me into a specialist player wide on the left. He wants me to use my skill and pace to take defenders on. I used to have a major problem off the ball. I would run into silly areas looking for the ball. I was wasting a lot of my energy and I wasn't supporting team mates properly.

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# HAKOAH SAGA HOBBLES ON

The saga of the Sydney Hakoah club's continued involvement with top level soccer in Australia continues to drag on.

No clear cut resolution was achieved at an emotion charged Annual General Meeting of the social club last week.

A number of motions, which soccer supporters within the social club membership attempted to move for consideration of the meeting, were not allowed to proceed to a vote.

Hakoah President Frank Lowy, a strong and outspoken opponent of the club's continued soccer involvement, ruled that the motions were not put on the agenda of the annual meeting by its movers.

He claimed that failure to give notice prevented Hakoah members from proper consideration of the matter prior to deciding whether or not to attend the meeting.

The meeting would have reaffirmed the founding principle of the Hakoah social club, which was formed more than 13 years ago, namely the continued support of a professional soccer operation at the highest available level.

Speakers proposing these motions impressed on what would have been the largest attendance at a Hakoah Annual Meeting within the last decade, that the club was formed, financed, supported and in the early years almost exclusively patronised by soccer fans.

## IN FOCUS

by PETER SCOTT



making idle comments and nobody offered any meaningful assistance.

"The level of soccer and its administration has concerned me for a number of years and I have come to the conclusion that the maintenance of a top team is no longer viable."

The Hakoah President stated that with the formation of the National League it was hoped that interest in the game would have increased.

"I hope that Hakoah would ride the crest of such a wave, but there was no improvement."

While congratulating the members and management of the 1982 championship winning side, he regrettably announced that a similar level of support for them cannot be continued.

"There are no prospects of increasing the number of spectators and already, a year in, I worried that the situation will be reassessed.

"Most people assumed I was

NSL and ASF administration and affairs;

- Changing the club's name;
- Various promotional exercises;

But the club's problems, "coupled with the ASF's impotence", led the majority of Hakoah's Board of Directors to the conclusion that continuing in the NSL simply was "not on".

"Expenses have reached a record high, while support is at a record low!"

Mr Lowy acknowledged that the Board's cloak and dagger decision to pull out of the NSL late last year "stirred the membership into action".

- Instrumental in forming the NSL;
- Consistently fielding a top side;
- Obtaining the best ground in Sydney;
- Heavy involvement in the

However, recent attempts by the soccer management to turn the clock back are viewed

with dismay by the Board of Directors," he said.

He justified the failure to consult Hakoah members about the decision to discontinue professional soccer by stating that "public discussion would have been unsettling for members of the team".

That statement neatly ignores two facts:

- Nothing possibly could have proven to be more unsettling for the players, than to be told minutes on the day it happened that the team was being disbanded, and
- Questions about some of the doubtful management decisions within the social club, resulting in financial loss and public relations setbacks.

Comments from the floor of the meeting highlighted some parts of the Annual Report and Financial Statement, which was circulated to all of the more than 7000 members of the club.

These included:

- Statements in several places referring to "the cessation of the club's direct involvement with soccer", without the membership having the opportunity to participate in the decision making process.
- The manner in which the decision was reached had a highly unsettling effect on the membership, creating major controversy and a split, which continues to this day.

Highlighting of an astounding 204 percent increase to \$101,386 in Advertising and Promotional expenses, and a 64 percent jump in the cost of the Club Journal's production to \$36,638 — once again excluding soccer expenses — when compared to the 1981 figures!

Several speakers acknowledged that expenditures must be reduced, but the feeling was that soccer should not be the only section of the club's activities to bear the burden.

## I'll bounce back!

### KAT'S CORNER

with PETER KATHOLOS



When I was taken off during the game against South Melbourne Hellas, it was the first time in five years that I had been substituted.

The feeling was something different, I can tell you!

Surprisingly I was a bit quiet, but I was playing against a top man, Alan Davidson, who is a competitor of the highest calibre. He doesn't give you an inch.

Also, the pattern of play didn't help me at all, and the ball rarely came to me where I was playing — wide on the right.

Some media reports said I held the ball too long, and that's why I was substituted.

In answer to my critics, I said: How on earth could I have been holding the ball when I didn't have it? I spent most of the time fighting to try to win it!

Anyway, don't worry fans, I'll once again show you everything you've become accustomed to seeing from me, provided I get a game.

Congratulations to Hellas, Rale Rusic has done a marvelous job. It's a very well-organised side — very fit and strong, with a solid defence, a brilliant forward line and midfield.

Sydney City also has started the season well — as usual and John Kosmina's up there again among the top scorers. Full marks to them.

But what about Canberra City? It started respectfully with an away draw against Adelaide City and then had a win over Melbourne 6-1 despite the absence of George Christopoulos, Mark Farina and Tony Brennan. Coach George Murray must be congratulated. Also, a special mention of striker Phil Redmond. He started in great goalscoring form, despite having to adjust from A.C.T. soccer with Downer Olympic, to the much tougher standard of the NSL.

Good to see my former team mates Andy Scott and Ken Wilson doing well with their new clubs.

Wilson played his first game for St. George against Newcastle and scored the winning goal, and Scott, who gave many years of dedicated service to Olympic, is doing well with Manly.

Ian Rowden also is on the transfer list now, and I hope he does well for himself.

Mark Koussas meanwhile, has been out with a sprained ankle, but he should be available for the clash against Canberra at Bruce Stadium this week.

## Four dropped from Queensland squad

By RICKY ROSSO

Queensland coach Bruce Stowell has dropped four players from the side which lost 0-2 to Victoria in the centenary interstate clash at Perry Park in February.

Dropped are, goalkeeper Tony Scanlan, who gave the Vics a dream second goal, midfielder Phil Thompson, who was substituted at half-time and reserves Dave Costa and Greg Marshall.

And eight new players have come into the 18-man Queensland squad which last week began preparations for the match against New South Wales at Perry Park on May 8. And 12 of those 18 are Brisbane City players. The remaining six are from Lions while none of the 10 other Queenslanders present at the Institute of Sport and

availability could be confirmed.

The eight new players, who were not in the squad for the Victorian match, are Wistart, Lowndes, Niven, Kowtan, Hunter, Wishart, Hughes and Cairney.

But it is not surprising that Stowell has made changes as he had less than a month to prepare his team for the Victorian match and as a newcomer to the state, was given a pre-picked squad.

Wishart, Lowndes, Hughes and Hamilton have been in state squads before, and Niven was selected in February before national team duty made him unavailable but it is the first full team call-up for Scotsman Cairney and youngsters Hunter and Kowtan.

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**John Yzendoorn** — transferred from Heidelberg to Hellas for \$15,000, plus 60 per cent of the net gate from a post-season challenge match between the two sides.

## Best player voting

**FOOTSCRAY J.U.S.T.** 1 (Macleod) **SOUTH MELBOURNE HELLAS** 4 (Russell, Brown, Crino, Egan penalty) at Schintler Reserve. Crowd 6193. Votes by Laurie Schwab:

6. Davidson (SM), 5. Crino (SM), 4. Russell (SM), 3. Blair (SM), 2. Woodfin (SM), 1. Kyrakoulessis (JUST).

**HEIDELBERG-ALEXANDER** 1 (Campbell pen) **WEST ADELAIDE HELLAS** 1 (Amy pen) at Olympic Village. Crowd about 4000. Votes by Peter D'Amato:

6. Spanier (H), 5. Sprout (WA), 4. Yankoski (H), 3. Brennan (WA), 2. Tansey (H), 1. Amy (WA).

**WOLLONGONG 1** (Fleming) **APIA-LEICHHARDT 1** (Giampolo) at Zetland Park. Crowd 2500. Votes by Phillips Micallef:

6. Viletrata (W), 5. Dunesavy (W), 4. Pullen (APIA), 3. Fleming (W), 2. Giampaolo (APIA), 1. Bertogna (APIA).

**BRISBANE CITY 2** (Mountford own goal, Hamilton)

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6. Burke (N), 5. Senikalski (N), 4. Lowe (N), 3. Tokesi (BC), 2. Mountford (N), 1. Jones (N).

**ADELAIDE CITY JUVENTUS 2** (Rankin, Muller)

**BRISBANE LIONS 1** (Wright) at Olympic Sports Field. Crowd 2200. Votes by Merv Toutsidis:

6. B. Nyskohus (AC), 5. Stavros (BL), 4. Metta (AC), 3. Lowndes (BL), 2. McNally (AC), 1. Banfield (AC).

**MARCONI-FAIRFIELD 2**

## National League standings

Last week's standings in brackets:

HOME	AWAY	W	D	L	F	D	F	G	Pts	
1. (5) St. Melbourne Hellas	...	1	0	3	1	0	1	5	2	8:2
2. (2) West Adelaide Hellas	...	1	0	1	0	1	0	2	1	3:1
3. (1) Sydney City Hakoah	...	1	0	2	0	1	0	1	3	5:5
4. (4) Preston-Makedonia	...	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	5	2:2
5. (7) Heidelberg-Alexander	...	1	3	1	0	1	0	0	3	1
6. (3) Canberra City	...	1	0	8	1	0	1	3	4	8:4
7. (11) Newcastle KB United	...	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	5	3:8
8. (6) St. George Bulldogs	...	1	0	2	1	0	0	1	2	2:2
9. (6) Brisbane City	...	1	0	1	4	5	0	1	1	5:3
10. (12) Adelaide City Juventus	...	1	0	4	3	0	0	1	2	4:5
11. (13) Marconi-Fairfield	...	1	0	3	2	0	0	1	2	3:4
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13. (15) Sydney Olympic	...	1	0	5	2	0	0	1	3	5:3
14. (10) Wollongong	...	0	2	0	2	2	0	1	1	3:3
15. (14) Footscray JUST	...	0	2	2	0	0	1	0	1	2:9
16. (16) Brisbane Lions	...	0	1	0	2	0	0	2	2	9:10

## NSL team of the week

In brackets: number of appearances in team of the week:

**WILSON (1)**

(Makedonia)

**RUSSELL (1)** (SM-Hellas) **BLAIR (2)** (SM-Hellas) **HERBERT (1)** (Syd.Olympic) **DAVIDSON (1)** (SM-Hellas)

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well, was saved by David Miller.

Azzurri City appeared to gain control early in the second half with a series of attacking raids and could have scored as early as the first minute after the restart.

But Les Carter shot wide after Maxwell had made the opening.

A Sergio Melita free kick and a Charley Villani header were both stopped by Miller while Konstandopoulos tested Willie

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BRISBANE CITY: Wishart 5, Caird 6, Liddell 7, Tokes 7, Wilkinson 6, Bohan 6, (Hamilton 6th), Pimblett 7, Williamson 5, Hughes 6, Glockner 6, Cairney 5.

NEWCASTLE: Goaling 6, Maher 7, H. Tredinnick 7, Burke 8, Watson 7, Mason 7, Sankalski 8, Mountford 8, Lowe 8, Jones 7, Drysdale 7 (Cowburn 34th, 7).

Marking, passing and application — the very things which put Brisbane City on the bottom of the table last season — were conspicuous by their absence in Brisbane City's performance.

Of the five goals Newcastle really only got to one in the other four came easily.

Nigel Drysdale was allowed to rush down the right and send a cross deep into the City penalty box, for the first goal. There was no challenge from any of the big City defenders nor from keeper Wishart and Bob Mountford had the time and skill to nod the ball into the goal off the upright.

City pushed forward for an equaliser and Peter Tokes nearly put one in off a Pimblett corner but then the rot set in. In the 19th minute David Jones put in a harmless 30m shot but Wishart dived poorly and could do little but grope helplessly as the shot bobbled over his outstretched arm.

Newcastle lost Drysdale shortly after with a groin strain but that didn't prove a setback and young Brett Cowburn gave the side plenty of width but Newcastle did not make goals.

Brian Bohan nearly put the



Ricky Rosso



• Newcastle coach Ken Kaiser urges his side on

ball in around his own keeper in the 35th minute but two minutes later Mountford again was unmarked in the centre of the penalty box and met David Jones' cross to again head past Wishart.

Things weren't going right for City and a near own goal earlier in the half became a reality seconds before half time when Billy Wilkinson put the ball back and straight into his net. Wishart was in fact directly behind the full back which indicates a lack of talking by both players.

Newcastle was now dominating in every department. Joe Sankalski was working tirelessly in the midfield, along with Jones and Mason; Burke and Watson were blotting out the City attack and Low was gaining the attention of the City defenders and leaving openings for his fellow strikers.

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Steve Glockner of Brisbane City slide — tackles Newcastle's Garry Watson. Picture by CARLOS PICASSO

But in a five-goal victory the youngster was determined not to be beaten and 10 minutes into the second half he raced onto a great ball from Mountford, rounded Wishart and slotted a great shot into the net from an acute angle.

At five goals down, City played its best football and for the next 10 minutes put more pressure on the Newcastle defence than they had all the net.

The pressure was rewarded in the 65th minute when Mountford got his 'hat trick' by heading a Pimblett corner into his own net.

The Newcastle defence, which is a bit more experience and more matches together, had the potential to be a tight outfit, kept City out until just before full time. Then it was a long shot from Bobby Hamilton, who came on for Bohan midway through the second half, which beat Newcastle's Gosling.

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# Arok pelted, Saints aided by Odzakov

St George 1  
Makedonia 1

Stadium: St George  
Crowd: 3115  
Referee: Tim Davies 8  
Yellow cards: M. O'Shea  
Goals: Odzakov og (SG), Ward (Mak).

SCORERS: Greedy 7, Skeen 9, R. O. Shee 6, M. O'Shea 7, Barton 6, Retcliffe 8, Wilkinson 5, Kocza 5, (Wilson 46m-5), P. Stone 8, J. O'Shea 7, Marton 5.

MAKEDONIA: Wilson 9, McMillan 7, Petrovski 6 (Opanis 46m-6), Jones 8, Todorovski 6, Livingstone 7, Odzakov 5, Illoki 6, Campbell 6, Lucchesi 5, Ward 6.

St George entertained Makedonia on Sunday at Barton Park with two things in mind: Provide comfort for the large Macedonian following from Rockdale and give Makedonia a hiding it won't forget.

And while the spectators (just over 3,000) found enough comfort, St George and its coach Frank Arok ran into a couple of snags.

David Marton, Paul Wilkinson and Andy Kocza had an awful day and gave their coach more than a sizeable ulcer during the match. With his hands clasping his head, Arok was wishing that this ordeal would stop when suddenly the linesman caught his attention.

Makedonia was on the attack, but Ward was offside and the linesman put his flag up. Then, just as quickly, he lowered the flag, making life somewhat difficult for St George defenders who were under the impression that offside will be given. Saints' defenders managed to clear the ball, conceding a corner but Arok strolled behind the goal demanding justice from the referee, Tim Davies.

While the pelting went on from the terraces, aimed at Arok, the coach made no bones about his decision — he felt that there was no offside and continued by awarding Makedonia a corner kick. Saints managed to clear and that was some small consolation for Arok, who was now pelted with just about anything from the small section of the crowd, obviously staunch Makedonia supporters.

It was ugly and in poor taste, but unfortunately some people will never learn.

Back to the game.

St George was on top but had it never been for poor Zarko Odzakov, Saints might have lost this match. He was hand to hand past Wilson from a corner kick by Dez Marton and thus an own goal helped Saints collect the point.

Saints looked the goods early and Wilkinson should have scored after nine minutes, trapping the ball, almost right in front, then slamming it straight at Richard Wilson.

Well, if you don't know how to do it, we'll show you — that must have been on the minds of Livingstone and Ward as they combined for Ward to rush through, face Greedy and score.

From then on Makedonia was eager to sit back and defend, hoping that the home side would not find its way in.

Marton then Wilkinson then again Wilkinson, then Andrew Kocza, all within easy scoring range and all unattended, failed to find the net during the first period, and continued their "form" during the second period.

Then came Marton's corner kick and John O'Shea went up for the ball with Odzakov. It appeared that O'Shea failed to get a touch on Odzakov headed past the keeper.

Marton managed to slip past his close marker, George McMillan as he received a pass from Barton, but screwed his shot wide, then Odzakov failed to slot an easy one at the other end after some good work by Livingstone.



**John Cleese is not amused**

What's this then? John Cleese, all six feet five inches of him, on a soccer field?

"Oh, yes. I was quite keen on the game as a player," says the actor, comedian and member of the famous Monty Python clan.

"I'm getting on a bit now, of course, but when I was 18 or so, I used to have some wonderful dreams."

"I never played but I had this fantasy about running out for Manchester United in front of 90,000 baying Portuguese at the Stadium of Light in Lisbon."

"Funny really, because my team is West Ham."

Cleese is in Australia promoting his latest film *'Privates on Parade'*.

On a more serious note, Cleese feels the game is losing its mass appeal rapidly.

He believes the game has become too mechanical, lacks genuine personalities and is threatened to be taken over by hatched men.

"I know you've heard it before but soccer has ceased being a game. All that matters now are premiership points and bank statements."

"That is why the cynical hatchet man proliferates in the game."

Cleese backs up his argument by highlighting the bounding of Diego Maradona in last year's World Cup.

"What they did to him was criminal. He was kicked, punched and hacked yet in the end he was sent off when his emotions finally boiled over."

Cleese does not have much time for Latin referees and prefers European referees, particularly those from the Eastern-bloc.

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Wollongong 1  
APIA 1

Scorers: Fleming (W) 19th, Giampao 6th. Venue: Ziems Park, Campbelltown. Crowd: 2500. Referee: Lorcan B. Caution: Fleming (W).

WOLLONGONG: Preston 7 — Willis 7, Vlietstra 9, Dunlevy 8, Pollard 7 — Gaffney 6, Fleming 7, Ainsworth 7, Kerr 7 — Cotton 7, O'Connor 7.

APIA — Woodhouse 7 — Carter 6, Pullen 8, Bertogna 7, Brown 7 — Bradley 7, Mariani 6, Butler 7 — De Ceglie 7, Valeri 6, Giampao 7.

Wollongong was the better side in the first half and Fleming's goal came as no surprise to the 2500 crowd.

But after the break APIA was quick to assume the initiative when the home side inexplicably collapsed in midfield.

Giampao confirmed his goal sense by hitting an opportunistic equaliser.

All in all, it was a fair result between two teams that should have every reason to look forward to a good season.

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## MAESTRO CRINO!



John Stevenson



Jim Muir



John Nyskohus



Laurie Schwab

Foots JUST 1  
SM-Hellas 4

**Scorers:** Hellas: Russell 37th, Brown 43rd, Crino 53rd, Egan 75th pen.  
**JUST:** Macleod 65th.  
**Venue:** Schinlter Reserve.  
**Crowd:** 6783.  
**Referee:** Stewart Mellings

**Cautions:** Tuttli (JUST).  
**FOOTSCRAY:** J.U.S.T.:  
Baldoni 6 - Stojcevski 6  
(Simplic 5, 42nd), Kyriakouleas 6, Kondaros 6, Hazabent 6 -  
Carroll 7, Macleod 6, Lujic 5.  
**SOUTH MELBOURNE HEL-**  
**LAS:** Laumens 6 - Russell 9,  
Xanthopoulos 8, Blair 9, Da-  
vidson 9 - Halford 8, Crino 9,  
Murphy 8 - Brown 8, Egan 8,  
Woodin 8.

**Hellas** stormed to the top of the ladder with this victory, and barring excessive injuries, looks to be the logical choice for the 1983 championship.

J.U.S.T. prepared conscientiously for this match and played well for the first half hour, during which its defence was extremely tight, and Jim O'Reilly was winning the ball in a midfield role he had not played in a long time.

But when Bobby Russell finished off a flurry of intensive pressure by scoring from the right side of the penalty area, J.U.S.T. collapsed.

Its midfield disappeared, its defenders too often left their

positions, and the forwards rarely saw the ball.

Hellas players interchanged positions tirelessly. Constructive moves were coming from all directions, and the J.U.S.T. players simply could not keep up.

**THE TACTICS:** J.U.S.T. started with set ideas about how to stop Hellas. Jim Kondaros was to sit in the middle, and nullify Charlie Egan, which he did for about 45 minutes. Gus Macleod was cutting out Alan Davidson's forward runs during this period. O'Reilly was matching Oscar Crino in the middle, winning the ball consistently, and Ken Taylor was chasing Ken Murphy. In the second half, Crino took over completely in midfield, masterminding all the moves, supported by the flank runs of Davidson and Bobby Russell, with the others providing a whirlwind of constant movement.

**THE GOALS:** 37th minute: Woodin and Brown and Egan launch a deadly assault on the goal, and during it, goalkeeper Dennis Boland desperately punches it out to his left.

Bobby Russell latches onto it and heads it into the net. 1-0.

43rd minute: Woodin, coming from deep, lobs the



Oscar Crino (left) places the ball past goalkeeper Dennis Boland — but it trickled past the post. At left is Igor Hazabent of J.U.S.T. Picture by LES SHORROCK.

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58th minute: Brown, storming towards goal, launches a thunderous shot from the edge of the area. It hits Kyriakouleas on the hand, and referee Stewart Mellings awards a penalty. Charlie Egan scores. 4-1.

**GOOD PERFORMANCES:** The entire Hellas team played well once more. Only Peter Laumens wasn't in the action.

In the first half, Steve Blair was the most impressive, winning the ball on the ground and especially in the air and using the strength of his moment

to continue playing the ball forward. Alan Davidson and Bobby Russell worked non-stop at their defensive duties and in taking the ball up the flanks. The second half belonged to Crino, who reigned supreme in midfield, calling all the shots, but Davidson

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**NEAR MISSES:** 15th minute: Egan, after a square pass from Woodin, tests Boland who turns it for a corner.

69th minutes: Crino waltzes into the clear but his shot is saved by the outstretched foot of Boland.

70th minute: Crino shows brilliant footwork in side-stepping three opponents but slips from Woodin, tests Boland who turns it for a corner.

58th minute: Davidson flies at a free kick from Crino but Boland, with a lightning reflex, deflects the ball against the bar.

**MOST VALUABLE PLAY-**

**ER:** A toss-up between Davidson and Crino. I go for Davidson because he was more consistent throughout the match, although Crino was quite unbelievable in the second half.

Nyskohus, Manou out,  
Muir, Stevenson in?

Meno Toutsidis

## Adel City 2

## Bris Lions 1

**Scorers:** Adelaide City — Rankin 28th, Mullen 52nd; Brisbane Lions — Wright 75th.

**Cautions:** Brisbane Lions — Hogg, Stewart; Adelaide City — Rankin.

**Ground:** Olympic Sports Field.

**Crowd:** 2200.

**Referee:** Jim Rassis 8.

**ADELAIDE CITY:** McNally 17, Stojcevski 7, Baldoni 7, B. Nyskohus 6, Dode 7, H. Nyskohus 8, Dode 7, Maher 7, Villani 7, Wright 7, Carter 6 — Rankin 7, Maxwell 6, Mullen 6.

**BRISBANE LIONS:** Lowndes 8 — McSkimming 7, Hunter 7, Marszalek 7, Niven 7 — Hogg 7, O'Brien 7, Stewart 8 — Wright 7, Kelso 7, Anderson 6 (Debut).

**Adelaide City coach** Bobby Ferguson threatened to clean out the club of its playing staff unless the team showed dramatic improvement.

Though his side responded with a 2-1 win over the bottom team, Ferguson was taken three points had it been confronted by a classless team.

City was a disjointed team which clearly would not have been taken three points had it been confronted by a classless team.

There was little method in City's play; the methodical

build-up which characterised its play in 1977 and 1980 has completely vanished.

Ferguson dropped three of his regulars for this match to make way for Peter Rankin and Joe Mullen.

John Nyskohus, who has played a record number of games for City, Chris Manou and Chris Miller, who broke into the team last year, all were omitted.

The reason for their axing can possibly be found in the club's match programme.

Said Ferguson in his firmly message: "I am sorry to say this but I am not happy with some players' attitudes and they have been told."

Rumors are sweeping the club that City is poised to sign four players, including two former stars during the Rasic regime.

The players are Jimbo Muir and Chris Kent, former South Melbourne midfielder John Stevenson and Azzurri defender Phil Cole.

Meanwhile, Ferguson's new-look line-up took a 1-0 half-time lead thanks to a moment of indecision in the Lions' penalty area which allowed Peter Rankin to notch his first NSL goal though he has made countless appearances.

When Joe Mullen, a member of the Youth Socceros squad until injury intervened, made it 2-0 with a daring lob in the 52nd minute, it looked all over for Lions which has lost 0-2 (Sydney City) and 1-6 (Canberra City) in its two previous NSL matches.

But with youth Socceros mid-fielder Russell Stewart firing in midfield, Lions made a gallant comeback.

Stewart fired a ground pass from the left wing and Wright pounced on it and slammed a glorious side driver in the top far corner.

A few minutes later big Barry Kelso pivoted beautifully from five metres but much to his disgust, he slammed the ball metres over the bar.

Lions had City's defence in all sorts of bother in the last 15 minutes, but the home side held on for an unconvincing win which would not have appealed its army of critics.

Lions, meanwhile, will take some heart out of its performance and coach Simon Kistemaker has at last seen something he can build on.

## 'Red Star' 2-1

**'Red Star'** beat 'Hajduk' 2-1 in the curtain-raiser to the Hellas — J.U.S.T. match at Schinlter Reserve last Sunday.

Spasovski and Pavlovic scored for 'Red Star' and Pahlinja for 'Hajduk'.

Slavko Dragic has coached the 'Red Star' team for three years. Three team comprises former star players.

Mike Kupinic of the sports store 'Soccer City' in St Kilda, provided the strip for the Hajduk players. He also provided the strip for the NSL selection in the recent bushfires charity match.

## Canberra's so generous!

By ALEX VESIC

## Marconi 2

## Canberra 1

**Ground:** Marconi Stadium

**Crowd:** 1850

**Referee:** Tony Boskovic 9

**Yellow cards:** Murray, Stone

**Scorers:** Carbone, Jankovic (M), Terry Byrne (C)

**MARCONI:** Maher 7, Dwyer 6, Henderson 7, Budini 8, McCulloch 6, Rizzotto 9, Carbone 7, Sermani 6, Brown 6, Jankovic 7, Licata 6 (Hunter 70m).

**CANBERRA:** Hoszowski 6, Young 5, T. Byrne 7, Murray 7, Cole 5, G. Byrne 5 (McLaren 61-6), Mourtzopoulos 6, Stone 6, Redmond 4, Gibson 5.

Canberra Arrows came to Bosley Park bearing gifts

for its host. The consisted of two goals which in the end earned Marconi its first three pointer of the season.

The first came amid some confusion on the edge of Canberra's penalty area. Attilio Carbone was the recipient of a pass by a Canberra defender and the youngster wasted no time in slamming it back towards goal from some 18 metres.

Hoszowski managed to get a touch to the ball but only palmed it against the post and into the net.

The 16th minute goal seemed to give Marconi a spur

for its players started to look more aggressive and positive. But alas, it didn't last long and slowly but surely they slipped into low gear (at times NEUTRAL), allowing most of the spectators to catch up on some sleep on the week.

Marconi's coach, Doug Collins was just one of the many disappointed faces despite the win. "I was not happy with the way we played. We were bad, but they were worse," concluded Collins.

Somehow Canberra managed to get the game going with only 13 minutes of the game remaining. Paul Dugay brought down McLaren some

25 metres from goal and Steve Bryant took the free kick by lobbing Marconi's defence to send Ian Stone free and facing Maher. A lob by Stone found the crossbar but Terry Byrne was on hand to run in and head home the equaliser.

Then came Canberra's parting gift for the afternoon.

Two minutes to go and the crowd already on its way out. Hoszowski and Terry Byrne decided to play it safe, passing the ball to each other on the edge of their own penalty area.

In chimed Mark Jankovic with "Let me play too, please," stole the ball, rounded the keeper and pushed it high into the roof of the net.

He was effectively bottled up within five minutes by Ricky Herbert and hardly got a look in after that.

As to why Herbert and not Dakos got assigned the task of marking the Socceros skipper.

"Ricky has some considerable experience in looking after Kosmina, having met and matched him in matches between New Zealand and Australia," Tommy Docherty explained later on.

The introduction of Gerry Gomez, in place of Ian Bruce, which led to a reshuffle of the defence to allow the tall Costa Rican leeway in attack, didn't do very much to save a cause well and truly lost.

Even the normally reliable Jimmy Cant managed to commit a colossal blunder less than 20 minutes to go, allowing Soper to set up the fourth goal for Gary Phillips, followed by another Soper "special" three minutes later for the fifth.

In this instance the Olympic striker, absolutely irrepressible throughout, even fell, before half rising and putting the ball in the net past the hapless Pezzano.

As for the feared goal scorers, the consolation goal near the end

## Syd. Olympic 5

## Syd. City 1

**At Pratten Park.**

**Crowd:** 6283.

**Referee:** Rennie 6.

**Scorers:** Dakos (10) 19th min, Soper (10) 36th and 74th min, Katholos (10) 42nd min, Phillips (O) 71st min, Gomez (SC) 83rd min.

**OLYMPIC:** Wilson 7, Rogan 7, Jennings 7, Raskopoulos 7, Herbert 9, Dakos 8, Patikas 8, Soper 9, Katholos 7, Phillips 7, Patterson 6.

**SYDNEY CITY HAKOAH:**

Pezzano 5, Muller 5, Robertson 5, O'Connor 5, Bruce 6 (Gomez 56th min, 6), Murray 6, Watson 5, Cant 6, Kosmina 5, Key 6, Barnes 5.

Sydney City Hakoah's defeat of Marconi in the second round marked the club's 100th win since the national competition started in 1977. And what followed?

Disaster, pure and simple. The "murder" at Pratten Park was comparable only with a 4-0 caning received at the hands of Marconi in 1979 by the Hakoah boys.



Peter Scott

coach Eddie Thomson was almost speechless at the end of 90 minutes.

"This was a match to try to forget," the genial Scotsman confided.

However, he was quick to shoulder some of the blame himself, confessing that the inclusion of Murray Barnes, returning from injury, and Paul Key, also short of match practice, had been premature. All his comments were spot on.

The Hakoah defence, which looked impregnable against Marconi the previous week, was in a mess almost from the kick-off and never got better as the match progressed to its inevitable, if unexpected, conclusion.

Its pattern was established in the 19th minute, when Rob-

ertson and Dawson merrily

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# Muniz to Avala, Arnold to Croatia

Agenor Muniz was transferred to Avala last week, while Graham Arnold went from Canterbury to Croatia highlighting the intentions of the two clubs to seriously challenge for honours in 1983.

While Croatia has a fairly settled side with minor changes taking place, Avala has introduced Burrows, Miller, Muniz and Housseline to its ranks. No one denies the value of the four players but by the same token it will take some time for them to settle and form an effective team unit.

Both sides will have their hands full in the fourth round with Croatia travelling to Kuringai for its match against the league newcomers while Avala will have an uphill battle against Blacktown at the Gabba.

Malta Eagles, with a win and a loss so far, will meet Yugal tonight (Wednesday), then face an under-strength Canterbury at Arlington Oval on Sunday. To seriously challenge for the top, Malta would have to collect at least three points out of these two matches, if not all four.

Riverwood, thrashed by Croatia at the weekend, is staring directly at the face. The Eagles' coffers are empty and there's talk of a merger with Hujduk of Cabramatta. Should this happen, then yet another side from Cabramatta would enter the competition. State League already is saturated with clubs from that area with Avala, Polonia and Croatia very close to one another. Add the fact that Marconi is in the same area and you then wonder about the sanity of having another Cabramatta outfit in the league.

Still, I am sure that the Huds club has looked at all angles before venturing into the heights of the State League.

A goal direct from the



NSW State League with ALEX VESIC

STATE LEAGUE  
CROATIA — RIVERWOOD 4-0  
TUSCAL — CANTERBURY 2-4. Karacan, Rees (M)  
POLONA — RANNSHILL 2-2.  
SUTHERLAND — KURINGAI 1-0. Waller  
ALBERTON — CANTERBURY 1-3. Dale (A).  
Wes, Godzik, Rees (M)

MELITA EAGLES — BLACKTOWN 0-1. Stad-  
wart

AVALA — MANLY 11. Muniz (A), Smith

(M), Sodden, ... 3 3 0 5 6 5  
Croatia ... 2 2 0 0 6 0 4  
Blacktown ... 3 2 0 1 6 4 2  
Yugal ... 2 1 1 0 6 2 3  
Inter. Monaro ... 3 1 0 1 6 2 1  
Avala ... 0 0 0 3 2 3 3  
Manly ... 3 1 1 1 5 6 3  
Malta Eagles ... 2 1 0 1 3 2 2  
Polonia ... 3 0 2 1 6 7 2  
Rees (M) ... 3 1 0 1 6 2 1  
Canterbury ... 2 1 0 2 3 2 6  
Kuringai ... 2 0 1 1 1 2 1  
Blacktown ... 2 0 1 1 2 5 1  
Avala ... 2 0 0 2 1 7 1

THEIR  
STATE LEAGUE (yester): Yugal, V  
Malta, Malice Stadium, 8.15pm.

Saturday

Marco Pali: INTER MONARO — SUTHER-  
LAND

... Sodden

Soccer Centre: BANTINGSTOWN — YUGAL

Arlington Oval: CANTERBURY — MELITA

Cronje Stadium: MANLY — AVALA

Kuringai: KURINGAI — CROATIA

Clare Park: RIVERWOOD — POLONA

Other games:

SATURDAY  
STATE LEAGUE 2ND DIVISION Revsby  
Warriors vs Dae Why JENGEN OVAL. Arterton  
vs Gladstone Revers AHTARMON 1-0. Manly  
Fairy Meadow vs North Blacktown POLICE BOYS  
GIRLS

STATE LEAGUE 3RD DIVISION Bankstown  
vs Lane Cove United TIGERWOOD RESERVE

INTER URBAN 1ST DIVISION Maroubra

United vs Eastern CORAL SEA PARK. Fair

Fairfield vs Sydney Park NO. 4.

INTER URBAN 2ND DIVISION Chatswood vs

Sydney Macculloch PARK NO. 12. West

United vs Penrith CAVARDA PARK

INTER URBAN 3RD DIVISION Macquarie Uni

vs Hawkesbury Dist. MACHARINE UNI OTAL

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STATE LEAGUE 3RD DIVISION Cabramatta

vs Canterbury 3RD DIVISION Cabramatta

# OLYMPIC

Sydney Olympic one of the best supported clubs in Australia, brings flair, skill and great entertainment to our soccer fields every time it plays. A team which boasts players of the calibre of Peter Katholos, Peter Raskopoulos, Jim Petikas, Marshall Souper, Peter Kousounas has the recipe to provide excitement plus. Coached by controversial, flamboyant Tommy Docherty, this Greek sponsored outfit has set it's sights on winning the NSL championship this year. Although Olympic hasn't made a great start to the season the quality of its playing staff suggests that it will bounce back shortly and restore its realistic claim to the league title.

Olympic is the successor to NSW club Pan Hellenic and came into existence in 1978. Olympic was one of the 14 founder members of the PSL in 1977. It finished 12th in its first season, 8th in 1978 and 13th in 1979. The year in which it was relegated from the national competition.

However, it bounced back with a vengeance and created Australian soccer history in 1981 when it became the first club to be relegated and re-admitted to the national competition. Olympic finished 8th in 1981 and 8th last year.

Olympic's honors include winning the NSW Ampol Cup in 1980 and the NSW State League Grand Final in the same year.

It's 1983 squad, pictured below, is, back row: Martin Rogers, Ricky Herbert, Tony Dakos, Steve Patterson, Jim Petikas, Arthur Zivnios. Front row: Marshall Souper, Peter Katholos, Peter Wilson, Graham Jennings, Peter Raskopoulos, Gary Phillips. Missing: Mark Kousounas, Jim Ziras, George Akitas, Terry Petikas.



## Olympic's remaining away games this season:

- V Canberra, Sunday, April 10
- V Footscray (U.S.T.), Sunday, April 1
- V St. George, Sunday, May 15
- V Newcastle KB, Sunday, May 29
- V Preston Macedon, Sunday, June 19
- V Canberra, Sunday, July 10
- V Maccabi, Sunday, July 24
- V Adelaide City, Sunday, July 31
- V Heideberg, Sunday, August 14
- V Brisbane City, Sunday, August 24
- V APIA Leichhardt, Sunday, September 11
- V Wollongong, Sunday, September 2
- V S.M. Hellas, Sunday, October 2

## Olympic's remaining home games this season:

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- V Footscray (U.S.T.), Sunday, April 1
- V St. George, Sunday, May 15
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## Sabidussi brothers sent off, Gooney out...

**MORWELL FALCONS 1 (McLean 51st)**  
**FAWKNER 1 (Tuffield 50th)** at North Crinigan Reserve.

**MORWELL FALCONS:** White 6 — Darby 6, 8 — Parsons 7, Train 6 — Young 6 (sent off 80th), Evans 7, McLean 6 (sent off 90th), Mitten 6, McGuinness 7, Plummer 5 (0' Callaghan 54th), Coach: Tony Bogg.

**FAWKNER:** Tuffield 6 — Sabidussi 7, Tuffield 8, Parsons 7, Callaghan 7, Bruno Sabidussi 6 (sent off 80th), Carlo Sabidussi 7 (sent off 90th), Curcija (inj. 6th), Palmisani 7 — Bozakas 6, Palmisani 6, Kojic 5 (Sannipoli 62nd), Coach: Cirkovic.

Mighty Morwell salvaged a point from a very determined Fawkner in a bruising, brawling game that saw two players walking off the park injured, three receiving yellow cards and three more getting their marching orders.

Morwell had all the big guns with enough authority to dictate terms and create many clear-cut scoring chances, especially with new signing from

Hellas, Alun Evans, but failed dismally in the finishing department after having a goal controversially disallowed for offside.

Fawkner was without key player sweeper Les Gooney, while unfit Bruno Sabidussi and Serge Sabadini were making their league debuts this season. Nevertheless, Fawkner had all the determination and spirit to defend with its teeth and attack with its heart. Coach Cedro Cirkovic provided a master stroke by using talented striker Ian Tuffield as sweeper in place of Gooney.

Tuffield dominated the aerial department, not tralling crosses and long high balls, while forcing hostilities on the ground where the pressing game of the whole Fawkner defence gave little away. And when Evans managed to cut the defence out with intelligent through balls, John

O'Callaghan and Noel Mitten missed asthe easiest of chances by shooting wide with only Rob Terzini to beat.

Overworked Tuffield put Fawkner in front, against the run of play, in the 50th minute with a brilliant header from a Joe Palinkas corner. Still jubilant, Fawkner was brought back to earth a minute later when McLean half miskicked a

ball from the right corner of the penalty box, deceiving Terzini who had come off his line to close the angle and, with the rest of the defence flat footed, the ball bounced into goal.

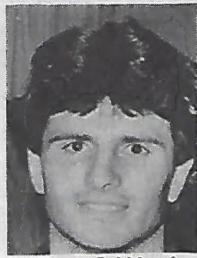
This sudden spark, after a frustrating first half, ignited the spirits and produced the final flare-up that ruined the day for both teams. With four minutes to go Eric Young

walked off the field, blood streaming from his forehead, and will be out of action for a couple of weeks.

Two minutes later Bruno Sabidussi earned a one-week automatic suspension when sent-off after vicious tackle that started the ugly massing of players with pushing, shoving and jostling. Two minutes more and brother Carlo suffered

the same fate after jostling for position with McLean, Morwell's best player on the day, who accompanied him to the dressing rooms.

So Cirkovic's selection problems have increased on the eve of all the important clash with Juventus and not even star-studded Morwell can afford to lose players of the calibre of Young and McLean.



Bruno Sabidussi

## Now depleted Fawkner to tackle in-form Juve

Depleted Fawkner should be no match for John Margaritis' inspired Juventus outfit in their big Italian derby at Jukes Road on Sunday.

### Big Alex wins it



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This weekend's games with likely winners in capitals:

#### SATURDAY

**South Melbourne Hellas v MORWELL FALCONS** at Middle Park, 2.45pm.

#### SUNDAY

**CROYDON v Sunshine-George Cross** at Croydon Park, 3pm.

**Fawkner v JUVENTUS** at Fawkner Park, 3pm.

**Polonia v Northcote (draw)** at Raleigh Reserve, 3pm.

**GREEN GULLY AJAX v Albion Rovers** at Green Gully Reserve, 3pm.

**Doveton v Box Hill (draw)** at Waratah Reserve, 3pm.

**Ringwood Wilhelmina v CROATIA** at Jubilee Park, 3pm.

Fawkner will be without injured sweeper Les Gooney and the Sabidussi brothers, Bruno and Carlo, will be serving automatic one week suspensions after being sent off against Morwell Falcons last weekend. Rajko Curcija came off injured against Fawkner and also is doubtful, while winger Milan Kojic, signed this year from Footscray JUST, is sadly out of touch. Fawkner's crack striker, Ian Tuffield, played a great game in defence against Falcons and coach Cedro Cirkovic may use his talented forward in a defensive role again.

Juve on the other hand, will be at full strength for this important clash. Billy Rogers is back to his tireless best in midfield and young forward Andrew Zinni is in scintillating form. Experienced striker Peter Polonia: Lukas 8 — Liparski 7, Mile 8, McClellan 7, Smolarek 8 — Czapkai 6 (Klein 75th), A. Czapkai 6, P. Petrov 6 (0' P. Czapkai 6, Marshall 7, Coach: Mike Lynn).

Polonia, with keeper Mike Lukas making his State League debut in place of injured Leszek Dzielakowski, had to withstand a second half onslaught from home team Ringwood Wilhelmina before running out a narrow 2-1 victor at Jubilee Park.

Zinni

most Wilhelmina fans were stunned when striker David Cork was replaced by Gary van Leeuwen in the 70th minute. Cork, signed from Croydon this year, clearly was Wilhelmina's best player, so much so that opposition Mike McClellan, who had been deployed as the Wilhelmina striker, left the field. Maybe McClellan was applauding the decision to substitute Cork, who was Wilhelmina's only effective forward.

Polonia had the better of the first half but had an goal from Wilhelmina's defender Eddie Pena to thank for its 1-0 half time lead. George Petrov and Alex Marshall played a one-two on the edge of the Wilhelmina area in the 30th minute. Young Petrov ran onto the return and poked it goalward. Goalkeeper Jansen looked to have the ball covered until Pena tried to intercept but only succeeded in deflecting the ball past the wrong-footed keeper and into his own net.

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Three minutes into the second half the Hillmen struck their decisive blow. Don Brownlie's long free kick was let go by Kakantonis, thinking that keeper Perre would gather. Keenan had nipped it in behind Kakantonis and slammed the ball low past Perre into the bottom corner.

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couldn't come to terms with striker Tom Patakas or defender Danny Davidson. As we went to press Patakas was expected to join Metro Third Division club Caulfield City.

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# McClunie set to sign for Croatia

GREEN GULLY AJAX 1 (Paul Lewis 16th)  
MELBOURNE CROATIA 1 (Cumming 72nd)  
at Green Gully Reserve.

GREEN GULLY AJAX: Denys 7, Peter Lewis 7, Cannell 7, Kremer 6, Hegeman 6, Williams 5 (sub 7th), Smallman 7, Vassallo 6, McClunie 5. Coach: Len McKendry.

MELBOURNE CROATIA: Blashy 5 — Curcio 7, Adams 7, Parton 8, Blashy 6 (Hannah 70th) — Biskic 7 (inj), Daemone 80th, Faulkner 7, Antolovic 6, Gajic 6 — Cumming 7, Latif 6. Coach: John Gardner.

Melbourne Croatia should complete the signing of tall striker Richie McClunie from Morwell Falcons this week. McClunie has recovered from injury and resumed training with Croatia last night (Tuesday).

Defensive competence was the feature of the stalemate at Green Gully Reserve between two of the leading championship contenders.

Ajax was without regular sweeper Steve Short, injured, so Stuart Cannell slotted into the sweeper's role with young Ron Kremer taking over Cannell's usual central half spot.

Ossie Latif played alongside Tommy Cumming up front for Croatia with Steve Gajic and Josip Biskic the wide, flanking midfielders. New signing from South Melbourne Hellas, stopper George Hannah, sat on the bench until the 70th minute when he replaced injured Ante Bilaver.

Sam Parton was Croatia's best. Not only was he effective defensively but he got into the Ajax area at almost every set piece situation and the most physical aspect of the match he had with Cannell and Kremer.

Ajax struck first, in the 16th minute, courtesy of a dreadful piece of goalkeeping from Peter Blashy. Bobby Teal got clear on the right and crossed into the area. Tony Curcio's clearing dive header landed about 30 metres from goal and David Smallman let go with a sweetly timed, powerful drive. The ball went straight at Blashy who tried to clutch it rather than tip it over. He failed miserably. The ball came out of his grip, hit the bar and bounced out to the incoming Paul Lewis who easily headed past the stricken goalkeeper.

Croatia came at Ajax from the start of the second half. Shots from Latif, Jeff Faulkner and Cumming either went straight to Lou Denys or were blocked but Parton's presence and competitiveness inside the Ajax area paid a handsome dividend in the 72nd minute.

Faulkner floated in a free kick. Parton jumped with three other players and did enough to send the ball dropping in front of Cumming who poked it past advancing Denys from six metres out on the left.

The match never reached great heights. You hear people in soccer often talking about mental let downs and it has been suggested to me that Ajax is mentally hung-over after its stunning Ampol Cup success. I find that hard to believe. Anyway, we're in the realms of psychology now and I'm not competent enough to pass judgement.

## Selwyn stalemate

ALBION ROVERS 0 SUNSHINE GEORGE CROSS 0 at Selwyn Park.

ALBION ROVERS: Costello 4, Dickson 4, Hennessy 4, McLeod 4, Gales 5, Ferrie 3, Kelly 4, Murphy 4, Williams 3 (sub 5th), Doyle 5, Smart 5. Coach: Hugh Murray.

SUNSHINE GEORGE CROSS: Curcio 4, Bennett 5, Taylor 4, Scarr 4, Richardson 4, Cumming 6, Peter 4, McAlvy 4 (sub Gammon 60th), Bain 4, Golder 4, McLeod 4 (sub McKinley 80). Caretaker coach: Ian Petherick.

This local derby had everything. There were plenty of fouls, hundreds of spectators, misplaced passes by the score blunder by the dozen, bewildering refereeing decisions, all watched by a surprisingly big crowd that became more and more derisive as the game staggered to its close. Everything, that is, but any evidence of the skills of the game.

The participants in this soccer non-event could point with some justification to the condition of the pitch. The last time I was at Selwyn Park, during the drought, it resembled the surface of the Moon, now it looks as though the Moon has grown grass, but the bumps are still there.

The nearest the combine ever came to scoring was when Peter Dickson headed a shot off the goal-line, and for Albion, Ken Smart should have scored after Alan Contini lost the ball in a goalmouth melee and Smart, with a yawning goal at his mercy, managed to hit the upright.

But neither side deserved to win, in fact it is a travesty of justice that they get a point each, if it had been a boxing match the referee would surely have called it a no-contest, and if it had been a horse-race, everyone would have been swabbed.

Disgruntled Sunshine fans (are there any other), said to me after the game that as a result of the amalgamation, the new club should have scored after Alan Contini lost the ball in a goalmouth melee and Smart, with a yawning goal at his mercy, managed to hit the upright.

Albion spokesman Joe Docherty was less volatile than usual after the game, although he welcomed the point. He said that the Albion players are being fined for being booked, with the money going into the players fund, and the way Peter Dickson and Frank McLeod are going, they are certainties for an end-of-season trip to Spain.

Asked for his opinion on the game, Docherty had his customary last word, but it wasn't printable.

— LES SHORROCK

## DOVES PLUCKED

NORTHCOTE 3 (Wright 40th, Moore 85th, Culina 89th)  
DOVETON 2 (Dowie 36th, Thurlow 46th) at John Cain Reserve.

NORTHCOTE: Gianopoulos 6 — Wilson 7, Bozikis 7, Creamy 6, Gorman 7 — Wright 7, Quigley 6, Moore 8 — Salindris 6, Culina 8, Constantinos 6 (Katsikas 71st). Coach: Tony Vrzina.

DOVETON: Keogh 7 — Thurlow 7, Corke 7, Hulius 6, Miller 8 — McIvor 5, Dowie 8, Waterhouse 6 — Stinton 6, Webster 7, M. Lenon 6. Coach: Ernie Merick.

If Doveton can't afford to buy new players it's starting a season of bitter struggle and possible relegation squarely in the face.

The Doves gained about \$4,500 from the sale of Steve Irvine, Lou Ivanoff and Alan Quin. That money was supposed to be used to sign perhaps two new players. Instead it went to pay off a few bills. A few months ago the Doves held an extraordinary general meeting concerning the financial state of the club. Just 14 members turned up.

The Doves better get their house in order quickly. Only four committee members are running the show, the rest are deadwood. And those Doveton supporters moaning about the performances of their players should realise that these same players are playing their hearts out for a team sadly lacking in quality and depth through no fault of their own.

Doveton's future rests in the hands of the committee and supporters. The club needs money to sign a couple of players. In Ernie

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## SELECTIONS

This weekend's games with likely winners in capitals:

METROPOLITAN DIVISION ONE

Saturday: Kew City v Werribee (draw), ALTONA CITY

Richmond — DRAESTER

ROVERS v Franklin Pines.

Sunday: Broadmeadows v Bell Park (draw), KNOX

CITY v Altona Gate; Moreton

and v MELBOURNE.

DIVISION TWO

Saturday: RINGWOOD

UNITED SERBIA v Heidelberg

Alexander, Dandenong

City v Thomastown (draw);

Ardeer v ST ALBANS DINAS

MO; Footscray, J.U.S.T.

v Nunawading City (draw);

Kelton Austria v NORTH

Dandenong; Prahran

Slavia v SPRINGVALE CITY;

Preston, Maltonia v

Waverley City (draw).

DIVISION THREE

Saturday: SOUTH OAK-

LEIGH v Coburg; Brighton v

CAULFIELD; Eltham v STH

MELB MORDILLAC

Heidelberg; Bundoora v Sandringham (draw); PRAHRAN

CITY v Port Melbourne;

MORNINGTON v Sunbury;

YALLOURN v Royal Rich-

mond.

DIVISION FOUR

Saturday: Essendon v Tri-

stina v NORTH GEELONG;

Greensborough v GEELONG;

KARINGA 7 — Rosanna;

HAWTHORN v Moor-

bank; KEYSBOROUGH v

Ferntree Gully; Hamlyn

Rangers v MOORABBIN

CITY; Corio v ROSEBUD.

PROVISIONAL DIVISION ONE

Saturday: Carlton v BUL-

LEEN; Chelsea v BALLY-

RAT; CLAYTON v Hawk-

shburn; CLIFTON HILL v

Langwarrin; MELTON v

Shepparton; CITY; LALOR

UNITED v Monash Uni; East

Brunswick v Yarraville (draw).

DIVISION TWO

Saturday: ABBOTSFORD

TASSA v Holland Park; Ber-

wick City v CENTRAL

CITY; Nunawading United v

Saint Kilda; Port Melbourne v RONALD

UNITED; YALLOURN v

MALVERN CITY; Kyneton v

MORDILLAC; CLARINDA; West Brunswick v SOUTH YARRA.

DIVISION THREE

Saturday: Uni of Mel-

bourne v BRUNSWICK

CITY; Burnley v WEST GEE-

LONG; Clarinda v SPRINGVALE

UNITED; MOE UNITED v Mitcham

CHELTHAMEN v West

Melbourne; ALTONA

UNITED v Pascoe Vale;

DALLAS CITY v Hampton

Warrnambool United (draw).

DIVISION FOUR

Saturday: Dingley v DIA-

MOND VALLEY; East Carlton v Batman; LaTrobe (draw);

GEELONG UNITED v Sea-

ford United; Macleod United v Port United (draw); Murrumbeena v PARKMORE; MON-

BULK v North Sunshine;

Mossfield Rangers v Lyndale

United (draw).

AMATEUR LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

Saturday: Balwyn City v

ASCOT UNITED; BUN-

DOORA v Balaclava;

CHADSTONE v Vermont;

POSTEL INSTITUTE v Hos-

United; ENDEAVOUR

HILLS v Melbourne Uni;

EPPING THISTLE v North

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## Uli backs Dieter

In Germany, controversy rages round Bayern — but Uli and Dieter Hoeneß are determined to stand their ground.

Bayern Munich general manager Uli won't drop his brother. Nor will Dieter Hoeneß stand down, despite other members of the Bayern side stating Dieter isn't worth his place.

Uli, at 31 the elder by a year, has long been his brother's champion and was directly responsible for Dieter's transfer from Stuttgart a few years ago.

He has two caps and has been Bayern's leading scorer every season.

HOWEVER, A NATIONAL MAGAZINE RECENTLY PUBLISHED A TABLE OF MERIT, WITH DIETER FINISHING 12TH AND LAST OF THE BAYERN PLAYERS.

Uli, though, suffered no such controversy in his short but distinguished career. His ability was never in doubt.

But a bad knee injury curtailed his career at 27 and almost immediately he was appointed general manager of his one and only senior club, Bayern.

Last year he had an amazing escape when the light aircraft taking him to watch West Germany play Portugal in Hanover crashed. The other two occupants were killed outright. Uli wasn't wearing his safety belt, was thrown clear and escaped unscathed.



## SOCER AROUND THE WORLD

# 20th. send-off for World Cup terror



From JIM COOK  
our European  
correspondent

**Willie Johnston, 36, infamous for being sent home from the Scottish side during the 1978 World Cup finals in Argentina, may face a life ban by the Scottish Football Association after being sent off for the 20th time. Johnston got his marching orders in the Scottish Cup quarter-finals, playing for Hearts against Celtic. And he had only just returned from a four-match ban.**

### Headaches

Don't be kidding into believing that everything is lovely in the soccer world except in England. Almost every European country with the exception of Italy and Spain has declining attendances, Spanish soccer is riddled with lawsuits and all sorts of economic problems. Hungarian soccer has financial scandals right at the top while in South America they have depressing crowd figures and plenty of monetary fiddles around the clubs.

### Bayern catch

Bayern Munich has chosen Paul Breitner's successor when he positively retires at the end of this season. It will be Danish international Seren Lerby, presently with Ajax, and if his transfer does go through the deal will cost Bayern \$1 million.

### Team Canada

Canada has followed America's lead by earmarking Montreal Manics as its build-up team for the 1986 World Cup. Montreal is likely to be renamed Team Canada in 1984 for this purpose.

Andy Lynch, the former Celtic defender, was recently appointed coach of Manics.

### Liverpool buy

The 19-year-old Danish star striker Michael Laudrup has agreed to join Liverpool in the summer in preference to bids by Barcelona and Juventus. Laudrup will cost \$500,000.

### Mighty China

China has made some impact in world soccer. Recently it went to Argentina where it played 18 leading clubs. Its record: Won 12, Drawn 3 and Lost 3.

### Francis back

Trevor Francis has returned to the England fold for the European Championship Group Three qualifying match against Greece at Wembley today (Wednesday).

The former Birmingham City, Nottingham Forest and Manchester City striker is included in manager Terry Venables' squad for the first time since scoring one of England's goals in the 2-2 draw in Denmark last September.

Since then, a troublesome

groin injury has restricted his appearances for Italian first division club Sampdoria.

The squad:

Peter Shilton (Southampton), Ray Clemence (Tottenham Hotspur), Phil Neal (Liverpool), Alvin Martin (West Ham), Terry Butcher (Ipswich), Martin Bennett, Derek Steven, Steve Bruce, Steve Archibald, Kenny Sansom (Arsenal), Mike Duxbury (Manchester United), Gary Mabbutt (Tottenham Hotspur), Sammy Lee (Liverpool), Gordon Cowans (Sheffield Wednesday), Graham Rix (Arsenal), Ricky Hill (Luton), Steve Coppell (Manchester United), Mark Chamberlain (Stoke), Paul Mariner (Ipswich), Luther Blissett (Newcastle), Steve Potts (Sunderland), Tony Woodcock (Arsenal), Alan Devonshire (West Ham).

### O'Neill back

Martin O'Neill, the Northern Ireland captain, has been given the all-clear to play for his country against Turkey in the European Championship soccer match in Belfast today (Wednesday).

The Irish squad:

Pat Jennings (Arsenal), Jim Plint (Middlesbrough), Jimmy Nicholl (Sheffield), Chris Nicholl (Southampton), John O'Neill (Leicester), Mal Donaghy (Luton), John McClelland (Glasgow Rangers), Martin O'Neill (Northern), Sammy McIlroy (Coleraine), David Murray (Newcastle), Jim Cleary (Glenavon), Noel Brooker (Blackburn), Gerry Armstrong (Watford), Billy Hamilton (Bolton), Norman White (Sheffield United), Neddy, Ian Stewart (Queen's Park Rangers).

### Mexico bid

Although Mexico is reported to have \$5 billion pounds debts the President has pledged all the cash necessary to stage the 1986 World Cup finals.

### Hadziabic

Dzemal Hadziabic has changed his mind about quitting Swans and returning home to Yugoslavia. The former Red Star and Yugoslav international now says he will

line up again with Swansea next season.

### Joe's delay

Big Joe Sweeney's arrival for Croydon (Vic) could be delayed as his club Pollok is in the late stages of the Scottish Junior Cup.

### Corrigan

Joe Corrigan who has been Manchester City's Keeper for 15 years and has underlined both Peter Shilton and Ray Clemence in the England side, is all set to sell up house at the end of the season and move to America where it's tipped he will join SEATTLE Sounders.

Elaine Watson (right), president of the Australian Women's Soccer Association, is given a Hawaiian tribute by Dennis Minge during the Australian women's team visit to Honolulu.

Minge, of Royal Hawaiian World Sports, is the principal soccer organizer in Hawaii.

His organization recently ran a Masters tournament for over 30 players, won by Laguna (Hawaii) 3-0 in a shoot-out against Langley (Canada).

Minge plans to run another gala international tournament for teams from all over the world in Hawaii next year.

Teams interested can contact him at Royal Hawaiian World Sports, 222 Kalakaua Ave, Suite 715, Honolulu, Hawaii 96815.



## Tasmania would do well in NSL, says Wormley

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

West Adelaide newcomer Paul Wormley may already have been hailed as one of the stars of the NSL but for a fateful night in England a few years ago in a reserve match between Huddersfield Town and Blackburn Rovers.

Wormley played for Huddersfield in that match. He was to meet the following morning with Alan Vest, the coaching Newcastle KB, and discuss the possibility of coming to play in Australia. Wormley's cartilage seized up during the game. Three operations and a few months later, despite being told that his football career was over, he started

ed light training back at Huddersfield. Vest, of course, was long gone, back in Australia guiding KB through a PSL season. Wormley was at the football crossroads.

He had worked as a carpenter for seven months after leaving school in his native Leeds, then was signed by Barnsley. Former Leeds star Alan Clarke was manager at the time. He gave Wormley a first-team game after just three weeks but after buying another striker, Terry Weller, the first and first team appearances had to come by. Wormley was 18 and asked for a free transfer. Huddersfield snapped him up but his future at Leeds Road looked bleak after his serious cartilage injury. He returned to the reserves and although he was playing well by the end of the season he wanted to move. He contacted Vest but was told that the KB boss already had found a new player.

Kenny Warden, coach of Tasmania's club Launceston Juventus jumped at the chance to bring over Wormley. His judgement was vindicated. Wormley arrived to find that Juventus had only chalked up 14 goals throughout most of the first half of the season. By the season's end the goal tally had jumped to 59 for, Wormley bagging 19.

"Tasmanian soccer isn't as bad as most people make out. If you tell someone that you played in Tasmania they kind of look at you like you're crazy. I think that's not bad. If this regularization thing happens and a Tasmanian composite side is included in the national competition they'd go well, a lot better than most people think," said Wormley.

Wormley took over as manager-coach of Townsville United in the Queensland State League last year and signed Wormley for \$1,700. But the Queensland State League folded at the end of last season.

Townsville, backed by the giant Kern corporation and an almost certain starter in an NSL northern region, disbanded.

Most of the players went to local clubs. Wormley joined West Adelaide and follows on.



• West Adelaide's Paul Wormley (front) heads goalwards against Footscray J.U.S.T. From left: Dennis Boden, Slobodan Stojcevski, Graham Honeyman, Suleiman Curovic. Picture by FRANK BOHRS.

ker Bobby McGuinness signed with Victorian State Leagueur Morwell Falcons.

"It's a tragedy what happened up there. Townsville was one of the best organised clubs in Australia. It was like being with a professional club back home. We had plenty of sponsors, and ran full-page adverts in the local papers and on TV for our home games. It was a great club to play there. I think it's a pity that Brisbane and Townsville that we didn't get much of a look-in. In the end the club was dumped and a Brisbane league formed."

Townsville's team had been disbanded. However, being a limited company with sponsor commitments the club will be wound down over a two-year period.

Wormley spoke to West Adelaide coach Vest about Wormley last November. When Wormley returned from a holiday in England he joined West

Adelaide in January this year for a \$2,000 transfer fee.

"Two things that surprised me about the NSL were the poor standard of refereeing and the poor pitches some NSL clubs have. My first game in the NSL, against Sydney Olympic at Lambert Park was a real eye-opener. That pitch is terrible. The pitch at Hindmarsh is far better, in fact I think I'll play better at home than away."

Wormley is a strong, skilful striker. With Graham Heys and Graham Honeyman flanking him he can look forward to getting among the goals this season. He is still young, turning 22 in September. He may have missed his chance to make a name for himself here a few years ago with KB United but now he's set to make a major impact on the national scene with West Adelaide.

### Merry-go-round

Although the Queensland Premier League kicked off last weekend for its inaugural season, the transfer merry-go-round has not slowed and many deals even this week are yet to be finalised.

At least three are set to go on appeal.

Former Brisbane Lions midfielder Mark Attmore was involved in negotiations with North Star, now coached by former City identity George Potter.

Ipswich United had to wait on the outcome of an appeal by Ken Gordon against the \$2000 fee put on him by Grange Thistle while Thistle was in turn awaiting an appeal by goalkeeper Dave Gallagher from Mitchelton.

John Stewart, the elder brother of young Soccerco Russell Stewart, was likely to appeal against the \$10,000 fee slapped on him following his move from England. Stewart, 23, left for England as an 18-year-old and played for a time with the Bristol City Reserves. He now wants to play with Lions.

Brisbane Olympic is keen to sign Lions player Craig Low but has been put off by the \$3000 fee.

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Il secondo turno di questo promettente campionato statale si è concluso con la Juventus comodamente in testa alla classifica con un perfetto ruolino di marcia (anche se breve) di due vittorie su due partite, quattro reti segnate e nessuna subita.

I bianconeri già possono vantare una lunghezza sul Crociola e sul Morwell, due sul Green Gully e ben quattro sul Croydon. Resta da scoprire le più serie concorrenti agli onori finali. E quel che più conta è che la Juventus sta mettendo in mostra tutti i segni positivi di una squadra destinata a crescere con il passare delle partite. Allo stesso tempo sia Morwell che Fawkner, impegnate domenica nel primo derby italiano dell'anno, hanno fornito prove maiuscole che hanno riconfermato tutta la loro validità, anche se con motivazioni diverse. Lo scrittore Morwell ha messo in mostra tutta la classe dei padroni di casa, forse un poco sfornati per l'occasione, e tutta la vitalità del Fawkner che dove non può arrivare con la classe arriva con il cuore. In fatto di sfor-

tuna in senso generale il Fawkner c'è indubbiamente quello che sta soffrendo di più, ma nella giornata di domenica ha dimostrato che la fortuna aiuta gli audaci.

## FAWKNER CUOR DI LEONE

Il Fawkner si era recato a Morwell completamente spacciata sulla carta e dai pronostici della vigilia più intenti a prevedere il margine di svantaggio del Fawkner che il nome del vincitore. Ma Cirkovic e i suoi ragazzi hanno sorpreso gli osservatori specializzati, insieme con il sotterramento adottato e quindi per la tenuta di gioco. Peccato che la parità, tesa e sentita, sia degenerata in nevralgia lasciando ne' vinti ne' vincitori in senso molto più generale che il risultato in sé stesso. Tutte due le squadre hanno perso almeno due giocatori ciascuna per il prossimo turno e forse oltre ancora, fra infortuni e squalifiche, che seguiranno le tre estazioni.

Il Morwell, capo della sua classe e del suo vasto parco giocatori, avrebbe dovuto fare un sol boccone della rimanggiata formazione azzurra che per l'occasione mancava del suo perno difensivo, il libero Gooney. Quando tutti si aspettavano che Carlo Sabidussi sarebbe stato assegnato a coprire questo ruolo, o che tutto al più un altro esperto giocatore avesse ricevuto il compito tanto vitale, Cirkovic ha sorpreso tutti arrestando il lungo e decisamente inesperito centrocampista Tuffield.

La mossa inaspettata e rischiosa, ha provato di essere la carta vincente poiché il ragazzone ha dominato sulle palle alte, ben spalleggiate da Fattore, costringendo l'avversario a giocare a terra dove l'irruzione degli altri difensori hanno prodotto una copertura efficace, anche se molto alla disperata. E in questo reparto dobbiamo apprezzare una parentesi sul portiere Terzini, capitano del piazzetto del Morwell, che ha dimostrato di intervenire in cui non è riuscito a trattenere la palla causando così situazioni caotiche.

A nostro giudizio Terzini ha tutte le attenuanti di questo mondo e la sua condotta di gara ha avuto un peso non indifferente sul risultato positivo della squadra. Innanzitutto bisogna tener presente che egli non è nella forma migliore dopo la lunga vacanza in Italia, quindi del fatto che la dura crisi subita da Evans nella prima metà del primo turno lo aveva lasciato a terra e gli aveva annullato i riflessi per il resto della partita. C'è non togliere però che egli ha salvato il risultato in alcune occasioni buttandosi coraggiosamente sui piedi degli avversari e facendo altri buoni salvataggi su palle alte. Anche per il goal subito, secondo noi egli non ha lasciato responsabilità poiché ha fatto bene a venire fuori per chiudere lo specchio della porta a McLean con precisione e scoccato la palla dall'angolo sinistro dell'area di rigore. Per sfornata di Terzini, o del Fawkner, McLean ha avuto difficoltà a controllare la palla e il suo tiro finale è stato sbucciato, mettendo così fuori causa Terzini che si era già impegnato ad intervenire sull'unico tiro normalmente possibile, cioè la cannoneira dritta a

Sandy Irvine  
(Morwell)Ian Tuffield  
(Fawkner)

mezza altezza. Semmai la maggior responsabilità della rete ricade sui difensori sulla destra che non sono accorsi a coprire il portiere in uscita, con il risultato che la palla è lentamente finita nell'angolo della rete squartata dopo aver rimbalzato indisturbata lungo tutto lo specchio della porta. E' bene che i soliti critici del dopopartita tengano presente queste considerazioni e che lo stesso Terzini non si lasci abbattere da una serie di circostanze negattive. Con questo non vogliamo dire che egli abbia brillato, ma ha meritato sicuramente la sufficienza e, come il resto della squadra, ha sempre battuto il cuore oltre l'ostacolo.

Tuffield oltre al gran lavoro svolto in difesa, è continuamente andato avanti per il calci d'angolo e punzoni e al quinto della ripresa ha portato in inaspettato vantaggio il Fawkner con una magistrale schiacciata di testa su calci d'angolo dosatissimo di Palinkas, meritandosi così di misurarsi con la migliore in campo in considerazione della sua efficacia e della enorme mole di lavoro svolto.

Assieme a Tuffield vanno segnalati, del Fawkner, anche Bozikas che è stato magnifico a centrocampo con la sua tecnica raffinata e la ottima distribuzione; peccato che la sua relativa lentezza in zona di tiro gli abbia negato la segnatura in un paio di occasioni, anche se quasi allo scadere del primo tempo abbia fatto gridare gole quando Bozikas si è trovato di fronte a un difficile palla in area avversaria tratteneendola momentaneamente per poi allungarla millimetricamente davanti a Bozikas in corsa che colpiva violentemente ma appena sopra la traversa. Altra grande prestazione l'ha fornita il capitano Carlo Sabidussi, non solo con la sua solita intelligente regia del centrocampo, ma con un insolito spirito combattivo e un

gran correre da per tutto; peccato che la foga lo abbia tratto al punto di beccarsi l'espulsione quasi allo scadere del tempo. Ottimi sono stati anche Bazzanini, Fattore, Schipano e il giovane Palmaricciot che aveva rimpiazzato l'infortunato Curcija dopo solo sei minuti di gioco. Brune Sabidussi, al suo esordio stagionale e ancora in condizioni di forma approssimativa ha dato prova positiva, finendo purtroppo di precedere di qualche minuto il fratello negli spogliatoi. Palinkas ha ancora bisogno di trovare carburatione e intesa, ma è indubbiamente un grosso giocatore che darà molte soddisfazioni nel futuro. Kojic ha gli stessi problemi di Palinkas, ma in modo più marcato ed è stato l'unico azzurro a non raggiungere la sufficienza tanto quanto il capitano del giovane Sannipoli al 17mo della ripresa. Quest'ultimo ha riconfermato le sue grandi possibilità ma non ha avuto tanto modo di entrare in una partita che per allora si era resa infuocata.

Del Morwell c'è poco da dire; e' uno squadrone che ha bisogno di trovare l'intesa fra i tanti nuovi giocatori e che ha troppi galli nel pollaio, forse perdendo molta della sua efficienza e della sua risoluzione in zona conclusiva.

Il nuovo attaccante Evans, inattivo da settimane e abituato ad un altro tipo di gioco, ha giustificato il suo nome e i suoi talenti, i cui intelligenti allunghi in profondità che hanno tagliato fuori la difesa avversaria ma sono stati sculpati platealmente dagli attaccanti di turno. Egli però non e' più uomo di punta pura McGuinness non e' nemmeno più il giocatore di tre anni fa, anzi e' addirittura migliore sotto il punto di vista che e' piu' "giocatore" con le repentine smistamenti a volo e una portentosa elevazione per un "picciotto", che gli permette di mettere gli piedi in posizione per compiere di prima linea, ha ancora quel travolente punto veloce che lo mantiene un giocatore che esilera la folla e getta panico nella difesa avversaria, ma purtroppo solo sporadicamente. Egli e' quindi un gran giocatore, ma non piu' il micidiale risolatore di una volta; acciappato con un altro giocatore come era lui anni fa, farebbero polpette di tutte le difese. Rimane quindi il solo Mitten come punta vera e pronta ma non in condizioni di punta, ma ancora una volta la sua mira non e' poi delle migliori. In McLean il Morwell ha indubbiamente il suo giocatore piu' efficace al momento. Ottimo fisico, gran controllo di palla e visione di gioco, enormi mole di lavoro e un non indifferente senso della rete fanno di lui un centrocampista dominante e, all'occorrenza una preziosa mezza punta. Anche lui purtroppo ha perso i nervi e si e' fatto espellere. Eric Young e' un altro gran giocatore, non a giorno, eccezionalmente debole in scorrere forse anche per la foga degli avversari, ma indubbiamente un perno della squadra. Irvine sembra stia entrando nella sua seconda giovinezza con tutto il bagaglio tecnico e di esperienza della sua illustre e lunga carriera. Assoluto maestro nel ruolo di libero, include le pericolose

puntate in avanti per prendere di sorpresa la difesa avversaria e cercare il goal risolto; cosa che domenica ha mancato per poco proprio allo scampi intelligenti con McGuinness. O'Callaghan e' un latro centrocampista che si stacca dalla media e gli esperti Derby, Train e Higham completano una buona difesa di fronte ad un eccellente Whiteside. Cenno particolare per il lungo Van Baar, sacrificato per il più classico motivo di età e che invece di potrebbe stare al Morwell per il quel piccolo di vitalità e imprevedibilità che potrebbe far differenza agli effetti del risultato. Boggi non ha problemi assillanti con i suoi ragazzi, deve solo dar loro tempo di trovare una buona intesa e operare piccoli ricambi di rinfresco come il maggiore avanzamento di McGuinness o Evans e l'inclusione di Van Baar in preferenza a Plommer, anche se costosamente per la sua partita, per dare alla prima linea piu' mordente, piu' brio e una impostazione con alimento un'ala vera e propria per allargare la difesa avversaria e mandare traversoni al centro per uno dei tanti titiriti scelti.

Positivo quindi la prova di tutte le due squadre, anche se gli incresciosi incidenti sul finale hanno offerto seri motivi di rammarico e messo fuori causa giocatori importanti per tutte due le formazioni.

## JUVENTUS IN CRESCENDO

Mentre a Morwell infuria la battaglia fra la due "consorelle" italiane, all'Olympic Park di Melbourne la Juventus veleggiava sicura verso il primato in classifica con una prova ineccepibile contro il temuto Croydon. Un rete per tempo hanno conquistato un dominio quasi costante dei bianconeri e siglato un altro classico risultato di 2-0.

Ma come la settimana scorsa contro il George Cross, molti commenti di fine partita hanno cercato di minimizzare la vittoria juventina con la precisazione che l'avversaria di turno non era un granché. Noi non siamo affatto d'accordo e, specialmente nella scorsa settimana, siamo del parere che le avversarie si sono dimostrate tanto incapaci quanto capace e stata la Juventus che non ha dato loro modo di giocare al vero livello dei migliori.

E' ora che i tifosi juventini, e i soliti critici, si convincano di avere una grande squadra passabile in difesa, dominante a centrocampo e pericolosa in attacco per di piu' guidata da uno dei migliori allenatori d'Australia. Non bisogna nemmeno dimenticare che la squadra ricostituita da Boggi l'anno scorso, e finita al terzo posto, e' rimasta intatta con l'aggiunta di indovinabili acquisti come il superattivo Rogers, il forte Drinocic e il mastino Lloyd, oltre alla definitiva valorizzazione del fuoriclasse in erba Zanni. Le aggiunte hanno sapientemente apportato una ringiovanimento dei ranghi e maggiore prestanza fisica, soprattutto in cui la Juventus soffriva da anni.

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